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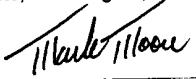
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RE: *U. S. Patent Application Entitled "METHODS FOR EXTENDING THE FRESHNESS OF CUT FLOWERS, ORNAMENTAL TREES, AND PLANT CUTTINGS"*
based on U. S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/162,178
Inventor(s): *Kent D. Chapman and Shea Austin-Brown*

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing are:

- (1) 110-page patent specification with 58 claims and an abstract (also Figures 1-10 on 10 sheets);
- (2) Our check in the amount of \$525.00 as partial payment of the total filing fee of \$897.00 (listed below). The Assistant Commissioner is authorized below to charge the deposit account for the remaining balance.

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Total Claims	58 - 20 = 38	x \$9 = \$ 342.00	or x \$18 = \$
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Multiple Dependent Claim(s)		+ \$135 = \$	or + \$270 = \$
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Respectfully submitted,



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